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Summary

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In California, fraud prevention and detection is an integral part of the overall management of public assistance programs. The fraud prevention program is administered at the local level by 58 county welfare departments. The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) is responsible for developing regulations and disseminating policy information/interpretation to local entities. Within the county welfare departments, the income and maintenance units have primary responsibility for determining eligibility and computing grant amounts. If fraud is suspected, the case is referred for investigation to the Special Investigative Unit (SIU). At the discretion of the county, the SIU may be placed in the county welfare department or within another county law enforcement agency such as the District Attorney's or Sheriff's Office. It is the responsibility of the SIU to conduct an investigation of such cases for the purpose of establishing whether or not evidence exists to support a charge of welfare fraud.

The Fraud Investigation Report provides statewide and county-specific fraud activity data on the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) and Food Stamp programs. Investigation activity by the SIUs is reflected in this report. Data shown represents the most current statistics available at the time of publication.

The following three reports are the data sources for this publication, and are available on the CDSS Research and Development Division (RADD) internet web site at <http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/research>.

- DPA 266 - Fraud Investigation Activity Report
 - April 2003 (Version 2, dated July 21, 2003)
 - May 2003 (Version 3, dated September 3, 2003)
 - June 2003 (Version 2, dated August 27, 2003)
- CA 237 CW - CalWORKs Cash Grant Caseload Movement Report
 - April 2003 (Version 1, dated July 22, 2003)
 - May 2003 (Version 1, dated August 5, 2003)
 - June 2003 (May 2003 data used, as June 2003 data had not been released)
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- DFA 256 - Food Stamp Program Participation and Coupon Issuance Report
 - April 2003 (Version 1, dated July 7, 2003)
 - May 2003 (Version 1, dated July 25, 2003)
 - June 2003 (Version 1, dated August 22, 2003)

Unless otherwise stated, each data item in the publication is a quarterly rollup of three months of data from the DPA 266 – Fraud Investigation Activity Report.

CalWORKs Statewide Highlights

April – June 2003

Investigation Requests

- 42,325 requests for investigation were **received** by California Special Investigative Units (SIUs) during the quarter, with a monthly average during the quarter of 14,108 investigation requests. The monthly average of investigation requests represents 2.8% of the 496,081 CalWORKs statewide caseload (monthly average during April – June 2003).
- 40,970 investigation requests were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter. This is 97% of the 42,325 investigation requests received.
 - 25,989 (63%) were Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program (EFP/D) requests.
 - 5,821 (14%) were investigation requests for other reasons including other unreported income, homeless assistance, unreported resources/assets, duplicate/replaced warrants, duplicate aid, forgery, residence, fictitious identity, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.
 - 5,679 (14%) were Income and Eligibility Verification System (IEVS) requests.
 - 3,481 (9%) were family (household) composition requests.
- 113,099 investigations were **available** during the quarter.
 - 72,129 (64%) of the available investigations were **pending** at the beginning of the quarter.
 - 40,970 (36%) of the available investigations were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter.

Investigations Completed and the Results

- 43,160 investigations were **completed** during the quarter. This is 38% of the 113,099 total investigations available.
 - 15,682 (36%) of the completed cases had evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
 - 27,478 (64%) of the completed cases did not have evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
- Of the 43,160 completed investigations, the **results** included:
 - 7,556 (18%) of the cases were denied, reduced or discontinued due to the Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program.
 - 3,731 (9%) of the cases had restitution action taken.
 - 2,148 (5%) of the cases had fraud found, but with no adverse financial impact.
 - 1,807 (4%) of the cases were reduced or discontinued in non-Early Fraud cases.
 - 1,202 (3%) of the cases were referred for prosecution.
 - 651 (2%) of the cases had expiration of statutes.
 - 397 (.92%) of the cases were referred to an Administrative Disqualification Hearing.

Note: Completed investigations could have multiple results. Completed investigations with allegation unfounded, insufficient evidence, and other miscellaneous results included in the 43,160 are not shown in this report.

Prosecution Activity

- 4,824 referrals were **available** to the District Attorney for prosecution during the quarter.
 - 3,663 (76%) were referrals **pending** at the beginning of the quarter.
 - 1,161 (24%) were referrals **received** during the quarter.
- Of the 4,824 referrals available to the District Attorney for prosecution consideration during the quarter,
 - 1,033 **prosecutions** were filed. This is 21% of the available prosecution referrals.
- Of the 1,033 prosecutions filed by the District Attorney during the quarter,
 - 758 **convictions** were obtained. Some convictions obtained are from prosecutions filed in prior quarters.

Overpayments and Collections

- \$8,527,515 **fraud overpayments** were identified during the quarter.
- \$7,279,146 **collections** were made during the quarter.

Food Stamp Statewide Highlights

April – June 2003

Investigation Requests

- 61,567 requests for investigation were **received** by California Special Investigative Units (SIUs) during the quarter, with a monthly average during the quarter of 20,522 investigation requests. The monthly average of investigation requests represents 3% of the 656,091 Food Stamp statewide caseload (monthly average during April – June 2003).
- 59,532 investigation requests were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter. This is 97% of the 61,567 investigation requests received.
 - 36,636 (62%) were Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program (EFP/D) requests.
 - 9,324 (16%) were investigation requests for other reasons including other unreported income, unreported resources/assets, duplicate/replaced Food Stamps, duplicate aid, forgery, residence, fictitious identity, Food Stamp trafficking, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.
 - 9,672 (16%) were Income and Eligibility Verification System (IEVS) requests.
 - 3,900 (6%) were family (household) composition requests.
- 154,260 investigations were **available** during the quarter.
 - 94,728 (61%) of the available investigations were **pending** at the beginning of the quarter.
 - 59,532 (39%) of the available investigations were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter.

Investigations Completed and the Results

- 59,567 investigations were **completed** during the quarter. This is 39% of the 154,260 total investigations available.
 - 21,014 (35%) of the completed cases had evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
 - 38,553 (65%) of the completed cases did not have evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
- Of the 59,567 completed investigations, the **results** included:
 - 10,788 (18%) of the cases were denied, reduced or discontinued due to the Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program.
 - 4,630 (8%) of the cases had restitution action taken.
 - 2,608 (4%) of the cases were reduced or discontinued in non-Early Fraud cases.
 - 2,581 (4%) of the cases had fraud found, but with no adverse financial impact.
 - 1,320 (2%) of the cases were referred for prosecution.
 - 627 (1%) of the cases had expiration of statutes.
 - 462 (.78%) of the cases were referred to an Administrative Disqualification Hearing.

Note: Completed investigations could have multiple results. Completed investigations with allegation unfounded, insufficient evidence, and other miscellaneous results included in the 59,567 are not shown in this report.

Prosecution Activity

- 5,375 referrals were **available** to the District Attorney for prosecution during the quarter.
 - 4,103 (76%) were referrals **pending** at the beginning of the quarter.
 - 1,272 (24%) were referrals **received** during the quarter.
- Of the 5,375 referrals available to the District Attorney for prosecution consideration during the quarter,
 - 1,083 **prosecutions** were filed. This is 20% of the available prosecution referrals.
- Of the 1,083 prosecutions filed by the District Attorney during the quarter,
 - 774 **convictions** were obtained. Some convictions obtained are from prosecutions filed in prior quarters.

Overissuances and Collections

- \$5,612,123 **fraud overissuances** were identified during the quarter.
- \$2,759,008 **collections** were made during the quarter.

Welfare Fraud Special Investigative Units**April – June 2003**

Below is a listing of the locations of each county's Welfare Fraud Special Investigative Unit(s).

County	County Welfare Department	District Attorney's Office	County Welfare Department and District Attorney's Office	Sheriff's Office
Statewide	27	20	9	2
Alameda			✓	
Alpine	✓			
Amador			✓	
Butte		✓		
Calaveras			✓	
Colusa		✓		
Contra Costa			✓	
Del Norte		✓		
El Dorado	✓			
Fresno		✓		
Glenn	✓			
Humboldt	✓			
Imperial		✓		
Inyo		✓		
Kern		✓		
Kings	✓			
Lake				✓
Lassen				✓
Los Angeles			✓	
Madera		✓		
Marin	✓			
Mariposa	✓			
Mendocino	✓			
Merced		✓		
Modoc		✓		
Mono		✓		
Monterey			✓	
Napa	✓			
Nevada	✓			
Orange		✓		
Placer	✓			
Plumas	✓			
Riverside	✓			
Sacramento	✓			
San Benito	✓			
San Bernardino	✓			
San Diego		✓		
San Francisco			✓	
San Joaquin		✓		
San Luis Obispo	✓			
San Mateo	✓			
Santa Barbara		✓		
Santa Clara		✓		
Santa Cruz	✓			
Shasta		✓		
Sierra	✓			
Siskiyou	✓			
Solano	✓			
Sonoma	✓			
Stanislaus	✓			
Sutter			✓	
Tehama		✓		
Trinity	✓			
Tulare		✓		
Tuolumne	✓			
Ventura		✓		
Yolo			✓	
Yuba	✓			

CalWORKs

Tables

TABLE 1
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS BY SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE UNITS
April – June 2003

County	CalWORKs Caseload ^{a/}	Investigation Requests		Investigations Completed	Evidence to Support an Allegation of Fraud		Investigations Pending End of Quarter ^{b/}
		Received	Accepted		Sufficient	Not Sufficient	
Statewide	496,081	42,325	40,970	43,160	15,682	27,478	69,782
Alameda	17,425	1,126	1,126	1,237	697	540	1,263
Alpine	31	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	268	101	101	65	18	47	60
Butte	4,338	376	371	416	141	275	620
Calaveras	405	197	197	197	50	147	3
Colusa	202	22	22	8	4	4	29
Contra Costa	8,057	363	359	389	189	200	451
Del Norte	766	37	37	39	8	31	92
El Dorado	1,032	91	91	104	49	55	389
Fresno	22,663	1,074	1,014	1,468	722	746	631
Glenn	475	127	127	127	21	106	153
Humboldt	1,996	128	127	127	63	64	112
Imperial	4,334	166	166	157	135	22	452
Inyo	105	13	13	6	0	6	25
Kern	16,714	2,526	2,490	2,307	909	1,398	1,295
Kings	2,512	610	610	578	93	485	715
Lake	1,466	110	110	99	50	49	99
Lassen	470	104	104	109	19	90	4
Los Angeles	175,519	9,367	8,546	8,218	2,927	5,291	36,895
Madera	3,377	549	549	575	80	495	295
Marin	829	54	54	65	53	12	448
Mariposa	193	4	4	3	3	0	23
Mendocino	1,510	96	96	89	45	44	297
Merced	5,939	811	811	744	358	386	835
Modoc	200	13	13	4	3	1	16
Mono	45	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	4,959	303	293	240	96	144	1,991
Napa	440	26	26	43	16	27	136
Nevada	553	23	19	19	7	12	84
Orange	19,178	2,613	2,605	2,756	1,564	1,192	3,081
Placer	1,288	64	64	52	20	32	143
Plumas	162	19	19	19	15	4	3
Riverside	20,029	4,981	4,978	5,163	923	4,240	1,112
Sacramento	29,283	1,699	1,614	2,777	1,118	1,659	3,001
San Benito	626	38	38	35	14	21	23
San Bernardino	36,075	2,877	2,869	3,145	637	2,508	775
San Diego	25,702	4,664	4,392	4,519	1,361	3,158	3,003
San Francisco	6,359	394	394	239	228	11	2,221
San Joaquin	12,783	194	194	178	118	60	378
San Luis Obispo	1,636	135	135	113	72	41	233
San Mateo	2,284	128	128	173	57	116	47
Santa Barbara	4,045	163	163	163	78	85	266
Santa Clara	13,383	507	493	535	271	264	438
Santa Cruz	1,844	585	584	588	119	469	51
Shasta	3,134	294	294	398	296	102	762
Sierra	32	5	5	7	1	6	5
Siskiyou	777	240	240	252	137	115	59
Solano	4,150	1,280	1,269	1,442	582	860	1,939
Sonoma	2,544	99	98	316	109	207	853
Stanislaus	8,489	602	596	637	405	232	1,236
Sutter	1,141	301	301	298	110	188	111
Tehama	1,161	101	101	86	16	70	42
Trinity	195	32	31	23	3	20	44
Tulare	12,068	391	390	379	42	337	1,617
Tuolumne	766	219	216	205	96	109	96
Ventura	5,880	381	381	380	177	203	432
Yolo	2,246	204	204	188	95	93	302
Yuba	1,999	698	698	661	262	399	96

a/ Effective with the January 2003 report month, the source form (CA 237 CW) was changed to collect families data from Two Parent Families, Zero Parent Families, All Other Families, TANF Timed-Out Cases and Safety Net Cases. The data is a monthly average for the quarter. NOTE: County numbers do not add to Statewide total due to rounding.

b/ Data is from DPA 266 June 2003 Item 7 Investigations pending at end of month. The investigations pending numbers include county case adjustments that occurred during the quarter. NOTE: The statewide total of Investigations pending at the *beginning* of the quarter, from DPA 266 April 2003 Item 4, was 72,129.

TABLE 2
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
REQUESTS ACCEPTED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIMARY ELEMENT OF FRAUD
April – June 2003

County	Early Fraud Prevention/ Detection	Income and Eligibility Verification System	Family (Household) Composition	Other Unreported Income	Residence	Unreported Resources/ Assets	Other ^{a/}
Statewide	25,989	5,679	3,481	1,643	677	422	3,079
Alameda	609	320	88	42	18	2	47
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	7	11	39	3	1	40
Butte	6	13	126	46	16	6	158
Calaveras	151	0	10	3	4	10	19
Colusa	0	0	7	6	0	0	9
Contra Costa	205	66	19	15	1	0	53
Del Norte	1	0	22	5	2	2	5
El Dorado	13	18	21	12	12	3	12
Fresno	220	401	189	135	15	3	51
Glenn	78	0	18	8	8	1	14
Humboldt	33	1	54	10	3	0	26
Imperial	78	0	39	11	26	3	9
Inyo	5	1	0	7	0	0	0
Kern	1,045	30	388	202	23	20	782
Kings	508	4	46	29	13	1	9
Lake	3	7	59	8	10	2	21
Lassen	77	0	14	1	5	4	3
Los Angeles	4,941	2,767	181	90	0	105	462
Madera	468	9	34	17	1	6	14
Marin	8	18	4	7	1	0	16
Mariposa	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	8	55	17	8	2	1	5
Merced	470	139	87	49	13	9	44
Modoc	12	0	0	0	0	1	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	161	6	26	4	9	0	87
Napa	0	0	11	6	1	0	8
Nevada	6	0	8	1	0	2	2
Orange	2,247	212	46	37	2	0	61
Placer	0	1	28	15	7	2	11
Plumas	8	3	3	2	2	0	1
Riverside	4,583	145	103	57	8	8	74
Sacramento	1,056	214	89	47	36	1	171
San Benito	7	6	8	6	1	0	10
San Bernardino	1,462	18	736	165	248	118	122
San Diego	3,910	253	80	69	25	3	52
San Francisco	69	267	0	0	0	0	58
San Joaquin	127	49	10	3	0	2	3
San Luis Obispo	54	3	42	12	2	4	18
San Mateo	31	0	21	46	7	0	23
Santa Barbara	26	14	54	20	10	4	35
Santa Clara	399	2	40	47	0	1	4
Santa Cruz	289	264	9	6	0	3	13
Shasta	140	2	94	26	5	7	20
Sierra	0	0	4	1	0	0	0
Siskiyou	71	0	48	14	20	56	31
Solano	982	181	42	35	12	2	15
Sonoma	39	16	17	11	1	4	10
Stanislaus	142	91	221	33	26	4	79
Sutter	187	7	15	18	25	3	46
Tehama	18	1	31	19	3	4	25
Trinity	13	2	6	2	3	2	3
Tulare	0	34	151	118	19	3	65
Tuolumne	180	0	15	4	4	2	11
Ventura	332	0	5	20	0	2	22
Yolo	93	25	33	18	16	2	17
Yuba	417	6	49	31	9	3	183

a/ "Other" includes homeless assistance, duplicate warrants, duplicate (multiple) aid, forgery, fictitious identity, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.

TABLE 3
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
INVESTIGATION RESULTS^{a/}
April – June 2003

County	Early Fraud (Denials/Benefits Reduced/ Discontinuances)	Referred for		Restitution Action	Benefits Reduced or Discontinued (Non-Early Fraud)	Fraud Found, No Adverse Financial Impact	Expiration of Statutes
		Prosecution	Administrative Disqualification Hearing				
Statewide	7,556	1,202	397	3,731	1,807	2,148	651
Alameda	297	196	0	167	0	37	40
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	0	18	0	0
Butte	99	6	0	17	31	12	11
Calaveras	31	0	0	3	8	5	0
Colusa	0	0	0	1	2	1	0
Contra Costa	33	18	3	57	0	78	0
Del Norte	1	2	0	1	4	0	4
El Dorado	3	1	0	24	4	48	0
Fresno	101	67	298	152	102	2	189
Glenn	13	1	0	0	5	2	0
Humboldt	19	4	0	19	32	6	0
Imperial	13	12	0	3	12	10	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kern	507	45	0	79	188	88	0
Kings	82	3	0	2	5	1	0
Lake	5	6	0	5	15	17	1
Lassen	14	1	0	0	4	0	0
Los Angeles	1,505	196	0	1,053	49	889	0
Madera	5	25	0	8	30	12	0
Marin	6	1	0	23	14	9	2
Mariposa	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Mendocino	0	10	0	28	3	4	15
Merced	43	67	0	104	129	18	0
Modoc	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	62	8	0	2	20	4	2
Napa	2	2	0	3	7	2	9
Nevada	0	1	0	2	0	4	0
Orange	822	26	22	271	444	193	4
Placer	4	5	0	3	5	3	0
Plumas	4	0	0	5	1	5	0
Riverside	731	34	0	151	0	2	0
Sacramento	603	61	0	430	16	8	266
San Benito	1	0	0	8	8	0	0
San Bernardino	229	57	8	119	257	49	0
San Diego	956	70	49	316	2	89	0
San Francisco	5	3	0	0	28	0	0
San Joaquin	62	44	0	2	0	7	3
San Luis Obispo	22	4	3	4	35	4	0
San Mateo	19	5	0	12	16	5	0
Santa Barbara	13	11	0	41	14	12	0
Santa Clara	149	49	0	40	1	32	5
Santa Cruz	87	6	0	12	14	0	0
Shasta	67	14	0	20	39	156	1
Sierra	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	16	0	0	25	32	64	0
Solano	324	13	0	185	15	45	73
Sonoma	24	2	2	90	19	89	10
Stanislaus	72	18	4	191	136	34	0
Sutter	62	4	0	9	3	34	0
Tehama	2	4	8	0	4	0	0
Trinity	4	1	0	0	2	2	0
Tulare	0	34	0	7	0	1	16
Tuolumne	44	7	0	3	13	29	0
Ventura	162	15	0	0	0	0	0
Yolo	20	26	0	19	12	18	0
Yuba	208	15	0	15	8	16	0

a/ This table reflects the outcome of an investigation. In some instances an investigation may have more than one outcome reported. Therefore, the data displayed on this table may not correspond to the numbers on Table 1.

TABLE 4
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
DISTRICT ATTORNEY PROSECUTION ACTIVITY
April – June 2003

County	Referrals Received	Referrals Available ^{a/}	Prosecutions Filed	Decision Made Not to Prosecute
Statewide	1,161	4,824	1,033	116
Alameda	196	603	86	25
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	3	0	0
Butte	6	14	7	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0
Colusa	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	7	79	7	0
Del Norte	2	8	0	1
El Dorado	2	2	2	0
Fresno	67	147	75	0
Glenn	1	1	1	0
Humboldt	6	12	9	0
Imperial	9	37	0	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0
Kern	45	142	78	0
Kings	3	4	3	0
Lake	3	22	1	0
Lassen	2	2	0	2
Los Angeles	196	422	195	45
Madera	25	25	25	0
Marin	1	2	2	0
Mariposa	1	1	1	0
Mendocino	10	34	10	11
Merced	67	703	32	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0
Monterey	8	49	5	2
Napa	2	28	1	0
Nevada	1	2	2	0
Orange	25	78	32	1
Placer	5	59	2	0
Plumas	0	8	0	0
Riverside	31	45	31	1
Sacramento	61	494	80	8
San Benito	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino	57	492	57	1
San Diego	64	409	37	0
San Francisco	3	90	0	0
San Joaquin	44	154	49	1
San Luis Obispo	0	0	0	0
San Mateo	5	94	26	0
Santa Barbara	11	11	10	1
Santa Clara	49	71	39	0
Santa Cruz	6	6	6	0
Shasta	14	24	18	0
Sierra	1	1	0	0
Siskiyou	0	4	0	0
Solano	13	229	8	4
Sonoma	2	12	3	2
Stanislaus	18	18	18	0
Sutter	4	4	1	3
Tehama	0	0	0	0
Trinity	1	1	1	0
Tulare	34	34	28	6
Tuolumne	7	19	3	0
Ventura	15	53	11	1
Yolo	26	26	26	0
Yuba	5	46	5	1

a/ Data is from DPA 266 April 2003 Item 23 Referrals pending beginning of month plus April, May and June 2003's Item 24 Referrals received during the month.

TABLE 5
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
PROSECUTION OUTCOMES^{a/}
April – June 2003

County	Convictions	Administrative Action	Disqualification Consent Agreements	Charge Pleaded	Dismissals	Acquittals	Declinations	Expiration of Statutes
Statewide	758	54	77	86	238	12	70	1
Alameda	89	50	50	0	104	0	25	0
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butte	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colusa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	3	0	0	3	2	0	3	0
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
El Dorado	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fresno	47	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Glenn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
Imperial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inyo	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kern	43	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Kings	5	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Lake	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
Lassen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	108	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
Madera	8	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Marin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mariposa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	11	0	1	10	12	0	0	0
Merced	5	0	0	0	4	0	23	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	0	0	0	3	15	0	0	0
Napa	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nevada	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orange	31	0	0	0	12	12	0	0
Placer	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plumas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside	44	0	0	63	2	0	0	0
Sacramento	72	0	0	0	0	0	7	0
San Benito	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino	40	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
San Diego	49	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
San Francisco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Joaquin	43	0	0	0	6	0	1	0
San Luis Obispo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Mateo	23	0	0	0	49	0	0	0
Santa Barbara	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Clara	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Cruz	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shasta	15	0	1	0	4	0	2	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Solano	21	0	0	0	2	0	4	0
Sonoma	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0
Stanislaus	12	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sutter	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tulare	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tuolumne	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ventura	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Yolo	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Yuba	0	0	11	1	4	0	1	0

a/ This table reflects the outcome of a prosecution. In some instances a prosecution may have more than one outcome reported.

TABLE 6
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
FRAUD OVERPAYMENTS AND COLLECTIONS
April – June 2003

County	Fraud Overpayments Identified	Total Collections
Statewide	\$8,527,515	\$7,279,146
Alameda	1,110,124	427,468
Alpine	0	0
Amador	4,277	1,403
Butte	6,261	20,152
Calaveras	5,011	4,069
Colusa	7,115	3,273
Contra Costa	181,521	146,331
Del Norte	3,919	6,131
El Dorado	7,498	31,557
Fresno	254,968	194,013
Glenn	1,616	12,137
Humboldt	17,257	13,260
Imperial	0	900
Inyo	0	165
Kern	181,633	103,220
Kings	9,870	80,414
Lake	58,406	13,348
Lassen	362	864
Los Angeles	2,932,677	2,028,580
Madera	31,055	34,170
Marin	11,132	32,237
Mariposa	0	342
Mendocino	107,344	27,989
Merced	87,415	80,628
Modoc	0	0
Mono	0	0
Monterey	50,048	73,061
Napa	28,267	4,058
Nevada	4,279	8,641
Orange	164,199	266,303
Placer	23,539	60,475
Plumas	755	4,013
Riverside	144,849	286,766
Sacramento	681,200	639,353
San Benito	14,350	25,101
San Bernardino	282,032	247,757
San Diego	318,511	539,858
San Francisco	102,113	278,352
San Joaquin	176,011	50,434
San Luis Obispo	31,687	7,469
San Mateo	35,573	10,352
Santa Barbara	31,718	45,461
Santa Clara	402,188	499,528
Santa Cruz	11,824	50,609
Shasta	54,886	27,471
Sierra	1,379	388
Siskiyou	59,000	72,000
Solano	246,476	198,481
Sonoma	50,856	190,609
Stanislaus	383,575	163,250
Sutter	11,376	8,045
Tehama	0	3,106
Trinity	0	1,326
Tulare	123,728	0
Tuolumne	25,201	11,261
Ventura	2,916	153,819
Yolo	24,864	62,552
Yuba	20,654	26,596

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TABLE 7
Food Stamp Program
FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS BY SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE UNITS
April – June 2003

County	Participating Households ^{a/}	Investigation Requests		Investigations Completed	Evidence to Support an Allegation of Fraud		Investigations Pending End of Quarter ^{b/}
		Received	Accepted		Sufficient	Not Sufficient	
Statewide	656,091	61,567	59,532	59,567	21,014	38,553	94,561
Alameda	22,593	1,458	1,458	1,569	866	703	1,415
Alpine	36	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	417	148	148	107	18	89	72
Butte	5,649	376	372	441	188	253	606
Calaveras	653	403	403	403	107	296	10
Colusa	406	36	36	14	5	9	37
Contra Costa	0	505	503	530	271	259	494
Del Norte	1,207	46	46	67	14	53	90
El Dorado	1,672	125	125	139	74	65	398
Fresno	9,850	1,179	1,109	1,441	807	634	239
Glenn	763	320	320	310	55	255	412
Humboldt	3,951	195	193	187	88	99	126
Imperial	5,441	191	191	182	149	33	501
Inyo	382	14	14	6	0	6	42
Kern	19,828	3,937	3,901	3,757	1,052	2,705	1,258
Kings	4,275	885	885	836	163	673	848
Lake	2,051	128	128	111	57	54	132
Lassen	676	159	159	163	24	139	10
Los Angeles	269,093	15,145	13,683	11,959	4,007	7,952	54,601
Madera	4,949	750	750	744	91	653	443
Marin	554	119	119	107	75	32	1,105
Mariposa	310	5	5	4	4	0	36
Mendocino	2,782	88	88	112	43	69	286
Merced	8,373	1,199	1,199	1,153	498	655	910
Modoc	195	134	134	36	22	14	164
Mono	121	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	6,510	484	474	419	137	282	1,745
Napa	735	44	44	63	22	41	197
Nevada	826	36	33	36	21	15	108
Orange	24,345	2,986	2,974	3,215	1,947	1,268	2,580
Placer	1,804	79	79	62	24	38	162
Plumas	225	24	24	22	17	5	11
Riverside	21,894	9,264	9,260	9,491	1,777	7,714	1,375
Sacramento	36,053	1,406	1,324	2,234	1,061	1,173	4,229
San Benito	884	32	32	38	20	18	29
San Bernardino	44,230	3,984	3,976	4,034	861	3,173	1,331
San Diego	28,385	4,590	4,295	4,367	1,594	2,773	3,909
San Francisco	18,144	1,016	1,016	731	568	163	4,208
San Joaquin	15,284	196	196	180	125	55	397
San Luis Obispo	2,607	166	166	146	97	49	292
San Mateo	3,019	199	199	237	66	171	39
Santa Barbara	4,030	273	273	249	122	127	252
Santa Clara	19,158	642	629	658	326	332	589
Santa Cruz	3,969	1,489	1,488	1,491	301	1,190	103
Shasta	4,300	474	474	576	387	189	937
Sierra	47	6	6	8	2	6	8
Siskiyou	1,408	603	603	642	309	333	106
Solano	1,667	1,798	1,783	2,008	719	1,289	2,273
Sonoma	3,000	121	121	352	142	210	895
Stanislaus	11,338	700	692	735	472	263	1,465
Sutter	1,612	487	487	485	173	312	177
Tehama	1,986	101	101	86	16	70	42
Trinity	320	48	47	37	3	34	71
Tulare	16,815	521	520	450	46	404	1,684
Tuolumne	882	370	364	349	176	173	146
Ventura	8,737	548	548	498	216	282	476
Yolo	3,142	297	297	276	142	134	439
Yuba	2,511	1,038	1,038	1,014	447	567	51

a/ Data is the monthly average of the Federal and State Public Assistance and Nonassistance Food Stamp participating households from the DFA 256 report. NOTE: County numbers do not add to Statewide total due to rounding.

b/ Data is from DPA 266 June 2003 Item 7 Investigations pending at the end of the month. The investigations pending numbers include county case adjustments that occurred during the quarter. NOTE: The statewide total of Investigations pending at the *beginning* of the quarter from DPA 266 April 2003 Item 4 was 94,728.

TABLE 8
Food Stamp Program
REQUESTS ACCEPTED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIMARY ELEMENT OF FRAUD
April – June 2003

County	Early Fraud Prevention/ Detection	Income and Eligibility Verification System	Family (Household) Composition	Other Unreported Income	Residence	Unreported Resources/ Assets	Other ^{a/}
Statewide	36,636	9,672	3,900	2,023	921	667	5,713
Alameda	753	355	93	50	32	2	173
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	29	11	43	3	1	61
Butte	8	12	150	50	21	8	123
Calaveras	335	0	16	4	6	16	26
Colusa	0	0	8	7	0	0	21
Contra Costa	236	156	19	22	1	1	68
Del Norte	1	0	23	6	3	2	11
El Dorado	19	27	26	18	13	5	17
Fresno	272	416	196	149	15	2	59
Glenn	157	3	43	37	33	5	42
Humboldt	33	1	60	15	4	0	80
Imperial	85	0	45	12	33	5	11
Inyo	5	1	0	7	0	0	1
Kern	1,049	31	402	227	21	30	2,141
Kings	715	5	58	36	22	2	47
Lake	6	7	66	12	12	2	23
Lassen	129	0	15	1	7	4	3
Los Angeles	7,105	5,394	223	157	0	169	635
Madera	644	13	40	23	2	6	22
Marin	14	21	4	9	3	0	68
Mariposa	1	2	2	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	14	22	19	10	4	1	18
Merced	723	246	106	45	9	10	60
Modoc	103	2	11	8	3	5	2
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	199	5	28	7	8	0	227
Napa	0	0	14	9	1	1	19
Nevada	21	0	8	1	0	2	1
Orange	2,546	322	48	42	3	0	13
Placer	0	1	33	16	11	2	16
Plumas	11	5	3	2	2	0	1
Riverside	8,785	162	123	61	8	9	112
Sacramento	734	279	81	47	31	1	151
San Benito	7	6	6	6	1	0	6
San Bernardino	2,191	28	856	192	307	148	254
San Diego	3,619	441	75	88	37	5	30
San Francisco	95	453	2	0	0	0	466
San Joaquin	126	51	10	3	0	2	4
San Luis Obispo	59	5	41	19	3	6	33
San Mateo	36	0	29	38	11	2	83
Santa Barbara	93	20	57	26	11	8	58
Santa Clara	533	3	44	48	0	1	0
Santa Cruz	893	534	13	7	1	3	37
Shasta	276	3	110	44	8	7	26
Sierra	0	0	4	1	1	0	0
Siskiyou	284	0	57	32	46	157	27
Solano	1,358	318	42	30	13	3	19
Sonoma	45	27	16	10	1	4	18
Stanislaus	153	157	215	34	30	4	99
Sutter	293	9	18	34	79	3	51
Tehama	18	1	31	19	3	4	25
Trinity	26	3	7	2	4	2	3
Tulare	0	50	186	174	17	6	87
Tuolumne	323	0	18	6	8	2	7
Ventura	487	0	5	29	0	2	25
Yolo	146	36	38	22	16	4	35
Yuba	872	10	46	26	13	3	68

a/ "Other" includes replaced lost Food Stamps, duplicate (multiple) aid, forgery, fictitious identity, Food Stamp trafficking, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.

TABLE 9
Food Stamp Program
INVESTIGATION RESULTS^{a/}
April – June 2003

County	Early Fraud (Denials/Benefits Reduced/ Discontinuances)	Referred for		Restitution Action	Benefits Reduced or Discontinued (Non-Early Fraud)	Fraud Found, No Adverse Financial Impact	Expiration of Statutes
		Prosecution	Administrative Disqualification Hearing				
Statewide	10,788	1,320	462	4,630	2,608	2,581	627
Alameda	385	235	0	188	29	29	38
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	0	18	0	0
Butte	153	12	0	13	36	11	11
Calaveras	82	0	0	3	12	7	0
Colusa	0	0	0	1	2	2	0
Contra Costa	59	16	4	114	0	78	0
Del Norte	2	2	0	4	5	1	7
El Dorado	3	2	0	36	11	72	0
Fresno	121	63	318	172	132	1	90
Glenn	30	1	0	2	22	0	0
Humboldt	31	4	0	25	44	7	0
Imperial	16	12	0	3	12	12	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kern	619	45	0	88	199	99	0
Kings	146	7	0	2	7	1	0
Lake	7	4	0	8	17	18	1
Lassen	20	1	0	0	3	0	0
Los Angeles	2,177	213	0	1,259	236	1,196	0
Madera	5	27	0	16	33	13	0
Marin	9	1	0	31	22	12	2
Mariposa	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Mendocino	3	11	0	12	6	11	28
Merced	55	92	0	179	188	19	0
Modoc	11	0	0	0	1	9	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	89	8	0	2	33	5	2
Napa	4	3	0	4	7	4	9
Nevada	10	1	0	1	3	6	0
Orange	1,028	32	32	388	530	83	3
Placer	5	4	0	4	8	3	0
Plumas	5	0	0	6	1	5	0
Riverside	1,552	41	0	172	0	3	0
Sacramento	614	52	0	386	6	3	168
San Benito	0	0	0	10	10	0	0
San Bernardino	331	68	11	184	340	53	0
San Diego	993	76	71	525	8	85	0
San Francisco	7	5	0	1	161	0	0
San Joaquin	71	43	0	3	0	5	3
San Luis Obispo	23	4	9	13	49	4	0
San Mateo	20	5	0	13	21	7	0
Santa Barbara	44	13	0	48	19	16	0
Santa Clara	202	44	0	45	0	35	5
Santa Cruz	233	7	0	24	37	0	0
Shasta	104	19	0	18	42	204	1
Sierra	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Siskiyou	85	0	0	24	48	152	0
Solano	462	14	0	168	20	55	228
Sonoma	28	2	3	105	24	102	10
Stanislaus	83	17	6	240	142	37	0
Sutter	117	6	0	29	5	33	0
Tehama	2	4	8	0	4	0	0
Trinity	8	1	0	0	2	2	0
Tulare	0	39	0	6	0	1	21
Tuolumne	103	7	0	4	15	47	0
Ventura	206	10	0	0	0	0	0
Yolo	33	31	0	39	16	23	0
Yuba	391	14	0	12	20	10	0

a/ This table reflects the outcome of an investigation. In some instances an investigation may have more than one outcome reported. Therefore, the data displayed on this table may not correspond to the numbers on Table 7.

TABLE 10
Food Stamp Program
DISTRICT ATTORNEY PROSECUTION ACTIVITY
April – June 2003

County	Referrals Received	Referrals Available ^{a/}	Prosecutions Filed	Decision Made Not to Prosecute
Statewide	1,272	5,375	1,083	123
Alameda	235	563	100	24
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	5	0	0
Butte	10	20	11	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0
Colusa	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	6	67	7	0
Del Norte	2	8	1	1
El Dorado	2	2	2	0
Fresno	63	111	72	0
Glenn	1	1	1	0
Humboldt	6	12	8	0
Imperial	9	37	0	0
Inyo	0	2	2	0
Kern	45	144	80	0
Kings	7	10	8	1
Lake	4	25	2	0
Lassen	2	2	0	2
Los Angeles	213	898	187	46
Madera	27	27	27	0
Marin	1	3	2	0
Mariposa	1	1	1	0
Mendocino	11	45	11	11
Merced	92	879	45	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0
Monterey	8	52	4	3
Napa	3	32	1	0
Nevada	1	2	2	0
Orange	33	79	36	1
Placer	4	71	2	0
Plumas	0	6	0	0
Riverside	35	47	39	1
Sacramento	52	392	71	5
San Benito	0	1	0	0
San Bernardino	68	548	65	1
San Diego	64	335	39	0
San Francisco	5	137	0	0
San Joaquin	43	162	50	2
San Luis Obispo	0	0	0	0
San Mateo	5	83	26	0
Santa Barbara	13	13	12	1
Santa Clara	44	66	34	0
Santa Cruz	7	7	7	0
Shasta	19	30	18	6
Sierra	1	1	0	0
Siskiyou	0	4	0	0
Solano	14	224	8	4
Sonoma	2	11	2	2
Stanislaus	17	17	17	0
Sutter	6	6	1	5
Tehama	0	0	0	0
Trinity	1	1	1	0
Tulare	39	39	33	6
Tuolumne	7	21	3	0
Ventura	10	40	9	0
Yolo	31	31	31	0
Yuba	3	55	5	1

a/ Data is from DPA 266 April 2003 Item 23 Referrals pending beginning of month plus April, May and June 2003's Item 24 Referrals received during the month.

TABLE 11
Food Stamp Program
PROSECUTION OUTCOMES^{a/}
April – June 2003

County	Convictions	Administrative Action	Disqualification Consent Agreements	Charge Pleaded	Dismissals	Acquittals	Declinations	Expiration of Statutes
Statewide	774	58	85	96	224	12	74	0
Alameda	109	51	51	0	118	0	24	0
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butte	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colusa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	3	0	0	3	3	0	3	0
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
El Dorado	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fresno	39	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Glenn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
Imperial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inyo	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kern	40	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Kings	4	0	0	0	3	0	1	0
Lake	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
Lassen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	94	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
Madera	8	1	10	0	0	0	0	0
Marin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mariposa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	11	0	1	10	12	0	0	0
Merced	9	0	0	0	6	0	28	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	0	0	0	1	9	0	0	0
Napa	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nevada	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orange	34	2	0	0	12	12	0	0
Placer	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Plumas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside	54	0	0	74	2	0	0	0
Sacramento	64	0	0	0	1	0	6	0
San Benito	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino	44	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
San Diego	51	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
San Francisco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Joaquin	38	0	0	0	11	0	2	0
San Luis Obispo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Mateo	23	0	0	0	18	0	0	0
Santa Barbara	9	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Clara	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Cruz	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shasta	13	0	1	0	5	0	2	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Solano	21	0	0	0	2	0	4	0
Sonoma	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	0
Stanislaus	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sutter	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tulare	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tuolumne	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ventura	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yolo	16	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Yuba	0	0	11	2	3	0	1	0

a/ This table reflects the outcome of a prosecution. In some instances a prosecution may have more than one outcome reported.

TABLE 12
Food Stamp Program
FRAUD OVERISSUANCES AND COLLECTIONS
April – June 2003

County	Fraud Overissuances Identified	Total Collections
Statewide	\$5,612,123	\$2,759,008
Alameda	574,084	248,935
Alpine	0	0
Amador	889	1,207
Butte	5,292	19,121
Calaveras	1,054	360
Colusa	2,532	5,357
Contra Costa	79,077	40,570
Del Norte	6,742	4,179
El Dorado	8,775	28,937
Fresno	203,243	115,530
Glenn	1,585	11,427
Humboldt	16,693	12,622
Imperial	0	0
Inyo	0	550
Kern	684,969	81,729
Kings	28,664	64,201
Lake	36,449	11,898
Lassen	527	440
Los Angeles	980,702	97,999
Madera	32,060	47,542
Marin	6,465	18,275
Mariposa	0	238
Mendocino	44,604	22,774
Merced	114,315	9,198
Modoc	0	0
Mono	0	0
Monterey	19,375	33,798
Napa	13,438	3,101
Nevada	1,282	6,428
Orange	128,512	92,286
Placer	8,513	37,185
Plumas	593	1,297
Riverside	132,408	140,254
Sacramento	701,223	209,510
San Benito	7,111	13,961
San Bernardino	200,427	203,745
San Diego	319,632	73,108
San Francisco	94,063	229,387
San Joaquin	106,167	71,817
San Luis Obispo	16,029	7,863
San Mateo	17,886	8,790
Santa Barbara	26,471	16,851
Santa Clara	275,512	114,345
Santa Cruz	12,675	7,793
Shasta	24,581	23,566
Sierra	887	294
Siskiyou	85,000	95,000
Solano	115,100	174,411
Sonoma	23,518	58,783
Stanislaus	256,043	146,966
Sutter	21,991	11,560
Tehama	0	2,320
Trinity	0	359
Tulare	114,386	0
Tuolumne	11,555	10,686
Ventura	10,216	58,519
Yolo	24,780	35,223
Yuba	14,028	26,713



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